MRS. NICHOLS SLAIN BY SERVANTS IN ROBBERY PLOT

WEATHER--Probably fair to-night and Friday.

PRICE ONE CENT.

20 KILLED, 86 INJURED IN ZEPPELIN RAID FOR FIRST TIME ON THE HEART OF LONDON

SERVANTS SLEW MRS. NICHOLS: STAHL, WHO LIED BOY CONFESSES PLOT TO ROB RICH WIDOW OF HER JEWELS

Courageous Woman Died From Heart Disease While Fighting Intruders Let Into Home by Youth Employed in House

Mrs. (Hizabeth Nichols, the widow of James Edwin Nichols, millionrounder of the wholesale grocery house of Austin, Nichols & Co., was

tentionally killed in her home at No. 4 East Seventy-ninth Street at o'clock last night, in the execution of a plot of servants who were seeking to gain possession of jewels valued, in servant quarters' gossip, at from \$100,000 to \$500,000. This is the substance of a confession made to Inspector Faurot to-day by Onnie Talas, a young Finn, who was employed in the Nichols's home as house boy.

KILLED BY AUTO TRUCK

Bernard Kennedy, for Whom John

McCormack Predicted Great

Future, Run Down.

Kennedy, the leading singer in the

Young Kennedy sang the "Ave Maria"

and the concert and opera singer pre-

Letter Saying Survivors of Ma-

rowijne Are Held Prisoner.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 9,-The

United Fruit Company advertised to-

manded by an anonymous letter

members of the crew and two passen-

The advertisement was signed by

C. H. Ellis, vice president of the

company. It explained it was called

GIFTED BOY SINGER robbers, who were three or more in They treated her brutally in tearing from her fingers six ring: and from her corsage a gold watch set in diamonds. This was the extent

The courageous old lady died heart failure while fighting with the invaders of her home, and they, terrichain around her neck keys to a room which, the servants believed, death of twelve-year-old Bernard case and said that

The robbery which resulted in mur- boy choir of the church. He was run a severe sentence. der was clumsily planned and clumsily down by a motor truck last evening executed and engaged the activities while riding a bicycle at Seventy: of four or more plotters. Onnie Talas ninth Street and Park Avenue, and and Edith Langfeidt, a maid, were the died two hours later at the German stroyed by a German torpedo. There only servants in the house at 9 o'clock Hospital. last night. Talas allowed three or Women parishioners visited each more men to enter by the basement other throughout the neighborhood door. Acting in accordance with a and called at the boy's home in prearranged plan, they bound Talas Eighty-fourth Street between Second and then went to the room of the and Third Avenues and wept over the Langfeldt girl and bound her. With news. the servants out of the way, the rob- Not long ago John McCormack, the hers proceeded to the third floor, great tenor, hearing of the purity and where they found Mrs. Nichols.

TWO MAIDS ARE HELD AS WIT-NESSES.

The Langfeldt girl and licona Totvonen, the cook, are held as material witnesses. The cook was not in the house at the time of the tragedy. Ernest Vital, the butler, who has been RANSOM OFFERED FOR 5 in the service of the family a long time and was absent from the house last night, has furnished a complete alibi and is not under suspicion.

Onnie Tains is held a prisoner on a charge of homicide. Arthur Walde- United Fruit Company Gets Second mon, former second butler in the Nichols household, suspected of being the instigator of the crime, is the subject of a general alarm which was sent out at 9 o'clock this morning. The police are also looking for a person known as "Eddie" and an Italian day that it would pay the ransom depool room frequenter who are believed to have taken part in the mur- writer for Captain McLaren, two

Talas broke down this morning of gers of the lost liner Marowijne, who, ter undergoing the ordeal of contin- the writer says, are held prisoners on ual examination all night. When he an island in the Gulf of Mexico. had made his confession Inspector Faurot made the following state-

"Talas has come through with a forth by the receipt of a second complete confession. He is twenty- anonymous letter from the person here what your motives were, but I in addition to those recommended two years old, weak and undersized who wrote the company August 23 and had been in the employ of Mrs. that five men from the Marowilne Nichols for two months. He says were held for ransom and that the vanity you told the stery which was for other objectionable conduct not has been assigned by Emperor Will-Nichols for two months. He says that persons outside the house importuned him for weeks to join in a plot to rob Mrs. Nichols. He finally invited to communicate with Mr. and to set one against the other. agreed and the plot was perfected in Ellis.
"We have received none of the

proofs you refer to at our New York "The plotters knew that the butler and the cook would be out last night. Several men went to the basement door at 9 o'clock. Talas let them in. They made a bluff at overpowering in

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ABOUT LUSITANIA, IS SENT TO PRISON

Declared He Saw Guns on Big Liner as She Sailed on Fateful Trip.

GETS YEAR AND A HALF.

Confessed That His Affidavit Made for German Government Was False.

Gustav Stahl, the German reservist satled on her last and fateful voyage in the United States District Court, States Judge Hough to one year and

United States District Attorney Church, at Park Avenue and Eighty- Stahl, called the attention of the strong box set in the wall of her fourth Street, mourned to-day the court to the serious aspect of the

"The steamer Lusitania," he said. "sailed from here on May 1. On Friday, the seventh, the steamer was dewere ten thousand witnesses who could have testified to the fact that the Lusitania carried no guns. Yet. when this country was wildly excited over the destruction of the vessel and the loss of the lives of our own people, the German ambassador presented to the Secretary of State four affidavits to the effect that the vessel was sweetness of young Kennedy's voice

visited the church at his request, armed. "He refused to aid the Grand Jury in reaching the men who had gathered his and the other affidavits. dicted a wonderful future for the boy filled with outrageous lies and used as a pretext to justify the sinking of the Lusitania. He has worked for men who have authoritiv over him. or for hire or for the gratification of his personal vanity.

FROM LOST STEAMSHIP ample of. He has pleaded guilty and he has been in confinement for three months. I see nothing else in extenuation of a harsh sentence."

> Stahl's attorney shook his head Daniels Notifies Accused Midshipwhen asked if he had anything to say for his client, and Judge Hough then addressed the prisoner.

"You made an affidavit," said the Court, "which you knew was not true and which you did not believe to be true. You were indicted for amplifying that affidavit. The case is emy by the acting superintendent for would be cooling thunder showers more serious than it seems on its buzing or for falsehoods in connectace. You were either induced to tion with the recent hazing investigamake the affidavit by men whom you tion. Secretary Daniels today notibelieved had authority over you, or fied the accused midshipmen, offering you did it for money or for the grati- them opportunities to make explanafication of personal vanity.

"There has been no evidence shown public. presume that the last two mentioned for dismissal, a large number were were the real ones. For lucre and recommended for disciplinary action calculated to arouse the passions of amounting to hazing.

"Had you been convicted, your sentence would have been harsh in Girl Dies of Fright When Animal the advertisement read. "If the extreme, I will take your pleaoffice," the advertisement read. If you have any proofs present them, into consideration and the fact of we are willing to pay ransom de- your three months' confinement and Mr. Ellis sold be placed no faith sentence you to serve one year and Margaret Smith, fifteen, is dead from the forecast many of the main fea-

Slain Widow, Boy Who Confessed; Two Maids Employed in House





TRIED TO GET TO 90

BUT DIDN'T MAKE IT

Old Thermo Topped 89, Though,

Which Was Hot at That-May

Be Showers Toward Night.

etermined effort to get to ninety

degrees today-where it has not been

on a September 9 since 1884, when it

reached ninety-one. At two o'clock

it had reached eighty-nine degrees

and then after a fractional advance

humidity all day to make the unusual

autumn heat more troublesome and

GEN. VON BERNHARDI

The buttest September 9 on the

IS SENT TO THE FRONT

depressing.



s personal vanity. "He should be made a severe ex- ANNAPOLIS HAZERS ARE FACING DISMISSAL

men and Gives Chance for Explanations.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Seven 1872 when the thermometer went to uldahipmen have been recommended ninety-two degrees. It was assumed for disinismi from the naval acad, at the Weather Bureau that there tions. Their names were not made

SCARED TO DEATH BY RAT.

James on Her.

BEAVER FALLS, Pa. Sept. 9 .-Mr. Ellis said be placed no faith sentence you to serve one year and starget. Since the property of the placed no faith six months in the penitentiary at heart disease caused by fright when fore going to the front he served as fore going to the front he served as agents here and in other cities in Ne corns, which consists of home units. York State and the Middle West.

ANOTHER BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK, IS GERMAN REPORT

Southland, Formerly Red Star Liner Vaderland, Torpedoed in Turkish Waters.

NEWS NOT CONFIRMED.

May Be Same Vessel Said Recently to Have Been Lost in Dardanelles With 1870 Men.

BERLIN, Sept 9 .- (By wireless elegraphy to Tuckerton, N. J.)-A statement given out by the Overseas erzeitung of Bremen as saying that the British steamship Southland serving as a transport, was torpedoed agency says:

onts out that the transport South- | children. which lately was flying the Ameri can flag, suddenly was changed into British transport.

No previous report has been made Southland. A wireless despatch from and forty-three wounded. Berlin last week quoted a telegram from Sofia to the effect that a British off the entrance to the Dardanelles with the loss of 1,870 men. It was thought at the time that the Berlin report might have been an inaccurate version of the sinking of the British Zeppelins. transport Royal Edward in the Aegean Sea on Aug, 14 by a German

The British Government has madno announcement of the sinking of nother transport, following the loss of the Royal Edward. Shipping records show, however, that the Red Star liner Vaderland was renamed The thermometer made an ugly and the Southland, being placed under the British flag, and was commandeered by the British Government for war purposes last March. She is listed as being employed in he hospital service.

TWO BASEBALL POOL dropped back to eighty-eight degrees at three o'clock. There was high PROMOTERS ARRESTED

Failure to Pay \$1,100 to Holder of Weather Bureau records was that of Winning Ticket Proves Unlucky for Lottery Men.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 9 .- Arthur F. Manhardt and Thomas Smith are under arrest here charged with pardelpating in a lottery known as "the open pool," by which prizes were warded to those holding the high o low baseball score tickets. Manhardt is charged with printing the licket and a raid of his print shop discloselottery forms ready to be printed. iam to a field command, at his own Smith is charged with distributing request. He has already left for the

Both entered pleas of not guilty and were admitted to bail in the sum Gen. von Bernhardi is one of the of \$1,000 each. The arrests followed best known military writers of Gerthe complaint of an alleged holder many. In a book entitled "Germany of a winning ticket calling for \$1,100, and the Next War," written in 1912, who claimed payment was refused.

agents here and in other cities in New German Crown Prince's army. Fifty Zeppelin must be," continued Mai

ZEPPELIN RAIDERS SHELL GREAT TRAFALGAR SQUARE AND THE DOCKS IN LONDON

Many Noted Hotels Patronized by Americans Are Located in the Section of the British Capital Which Was Attacked Last Night.

ALL DEAD AND INJURED BUT FOUR WERE CIVILIANS

LONDON, Sept. 9.-Twenty persons were killed and eighty-six inured in a raid on London last night by Zeppelins.

The official statement gives the following list of casualties:

Killed, twelve men, two women and six children, Injured seriously, eight men, four women and two children.

Injured slightly, thirty-eight men, twenty-three women and eleven

One soldier was killed and three were injured. All the other victims were civilians.

The German airships flew over the eastern counties of England and he London district.

No Americans were among the Zeppelin victims, the American Embassy reported this afternoon.

A wireless despatch from Berlin to-day said Zeppelins had bombarded the London docks with satisfactory results. The Zeppelins were heavily shelled, but returned undamaged, it was stated

The bulletin probably refers to the Zeppelin raid of Tuesday night, in oncerning the terpedoing of the which, accoording to the British Press Bureau, thirteen persons were killed A cable despatch to the Chicago News to-day from a correspondent in

London bore evidence that the Trafalgar Square district was attacked transport had been sunk by a mine The cable said: "Daily News staff and offices safe. All well." The News office is in Trafalgar Square. An interview with Marconi, the Italian inventor, gave further evidence

that for the first time the heart of London had been reached by the

Trafalgar Square is one of the principal American centres of London and the London docks are several miles away. The Metropole Hotel, the Grand® Hotel and the Victoria Hotel, all pop-

ular with Americans, are either on the Square or only a block away. The Carlton Hotel is nearby, as are Morley's and the Golden Cross Hotel, all well known to Americans. The great Nelson Column is in the centre of the Square and behind it is

the National Gallery, which houses London's art treasures. Steamship and banking offices used

as American rendezvous are on Cocksour Street, leading into the Square. At the other end of Trafalgar Square is the Strand, the most famous street in the English speaking world.

The attack of last night brings up he total of casualties from Zeppelin raids to 122 killed and 349 injured. On

Cable despatches to-day indicate that there were two separate raids on London during the night. A cable message was received by the United Press last night, stating that "eastern countries" had been raided. It was evident from the time of filing of this despatch that this raid was made early in the evening.

A second cable message was received early to-day, reporting "an-other raid." It is thought possible this second raid was made several hours later, possibly in the early hours of this morning.

In no previous raid have the Zeppelins reached the heart of London, though Zeppelins on Aug. 17 bom-barded the east and northwest sec-

the previous night thirteen persons tions of the city, where workingmen were killed and forty-three wounded.

German Air Raid on Paris To Avenge Attack From Sku PARIS, Sept. 9 .- A German air range station and it is reported the

raid on Paris, the first in many great damage was done, months, and French attacks on ratiway stations held by the Germans ZEPPELIN SHOULD featured to-day's official reports. German aeroplanes bombarded the

suburbs of Paris early to-day. The Government will permit announcedetails are received.

A French dirigible bombarded the southwest of St. Quentin, during the Zeppelins used last night," Gugliei The district attorney's office states bombs on the station at Challerange, this afternoon. to-day that the pool had scores of a railway junction in the rear of the

PROTEST TO WORLD. DECLARES MARCONI.

LONDON, Sept. 9. - Gugitelmo ment as to casualties as soon as full Marconi in an interview to-day with the United Press said:

"If I were Count Zeppeitn I would protest before the world against the railway station at Nesle, lifteen miles | Kaiser using my invention as I saw night. French aviators showered Marconi, noted Italian inventor, said

"How sad and sick at heart Count bombs were hurled on the Challe- "If my invention were used to kill